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In re application of:

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NEURODEGENERATIVE DISORDERS  
USING ASPARTYL PROTEASE  
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2005, Applicants submit the following Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 23 of this paper.